

For Ian  
and for our daughters, who remind us to *look* – A.W.

To all of us who get distracted by those “lollipops” most of the time!  
A nosotros los que nos distraemos por aquellas “chupetas” en la mayor parte de nuestras vidas! – A.L.

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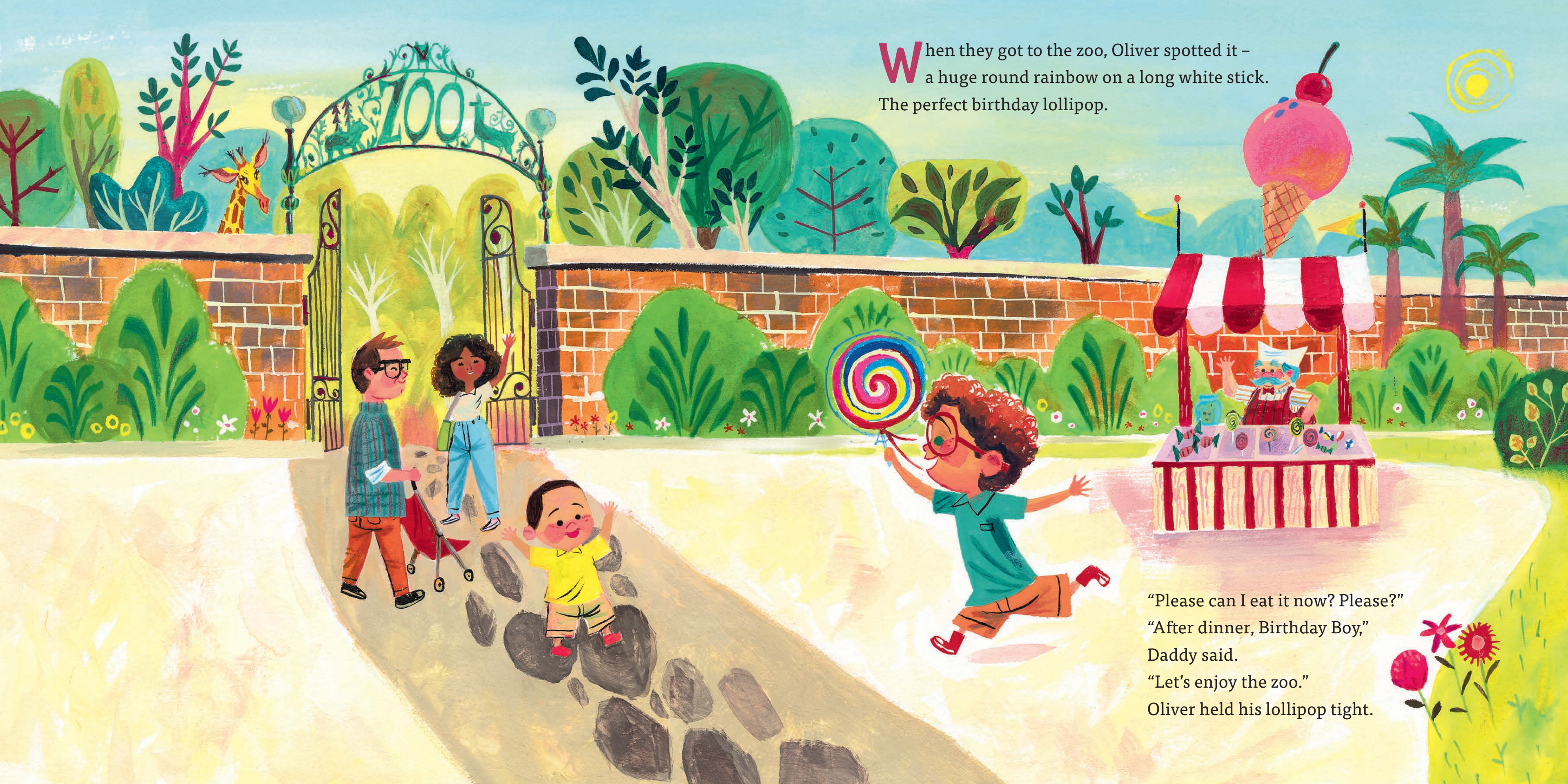
# OLIVER'S LOLLIPOP

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When they got to the zoo, Oliver spotted it –  
a huge round rainbow on a long white stick.  
The perfect birthday lollipop.

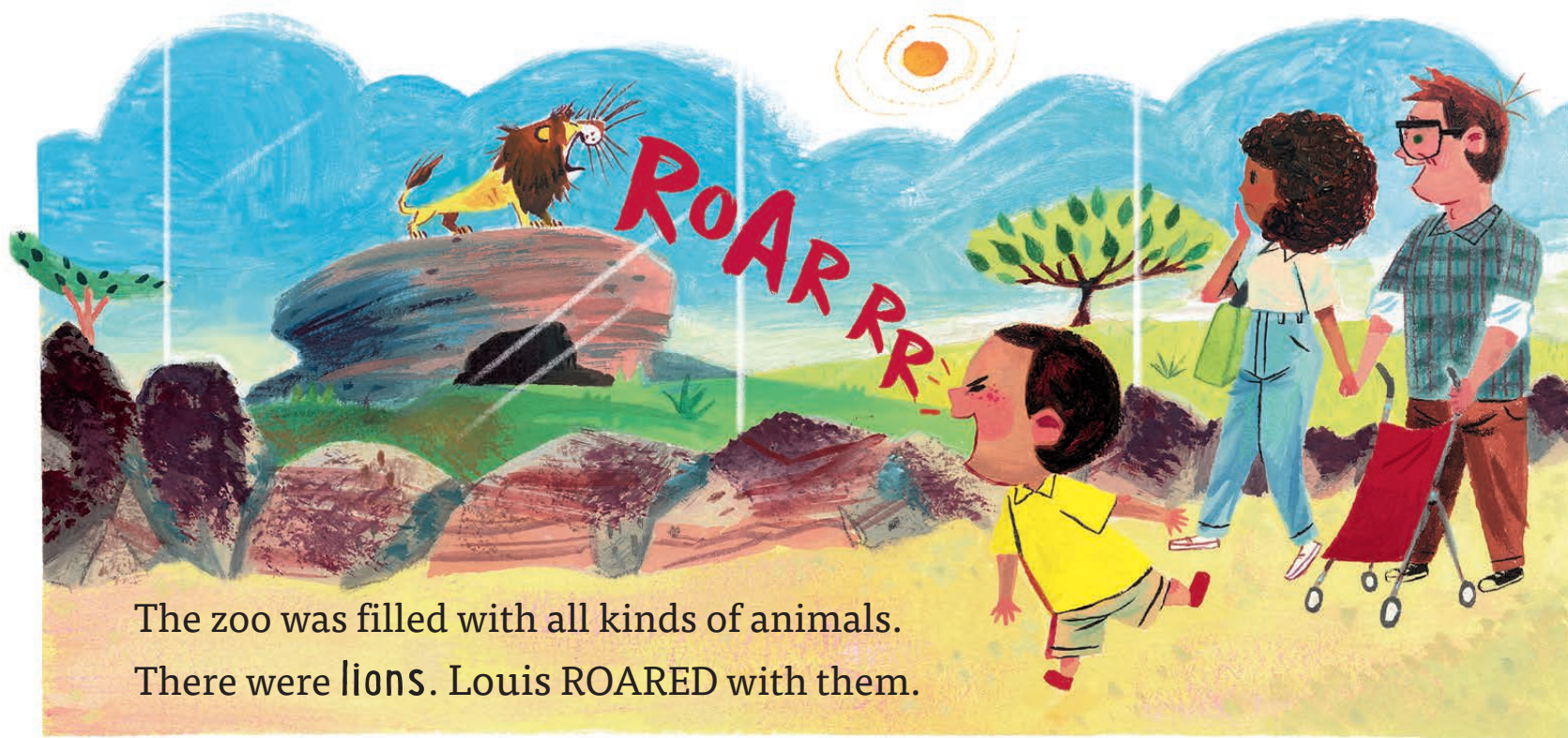
“Please can I eat it now? Please?”  
“After dinner, Birthday Boy,”  
Daddy said.  
“Let’s enjoy the zoo.”  
Oliver held his lollipop tight.



His little brother, Louis, picked a blue beetle. Mummy rode a ladybird. Daddy got the caterpillar.

Oliver worried it would be too hard to hold on to a bug *and* his lollipop. So he waited with the pushchair.

First up: the carousel.  
It spun round and round like the swirl of Oliver's lollipop.



The zoo was filled with all kinds of animals.  
There were lions. Louis ROARED with them.



There were pandas.  
Louis munched with them.



There were monkeys. Louis  
danced with them ...



... while Oliver imagined  
how his lollipop would taste.

“Where to next?” Mummy asked. “Flamingos or peacocks?”  
But Oliver wasn’t really listening.

“FLAMIN GOS!”

Louis shouted.

